



BIAS AGAINST WOMEN IN NEWS HANDLING NEXT SHOP TALK TOPIC

By LARRY STESSIN, Chairman
"Talking Shop With..." Program

A lively and controversial slide presentation on discrimination against women in the treatment of news will be the subject of a "Talking Shop With..." program on Tuesday, July 23 at 5:30 P.M. The slide film and commentary is based on a two year study of the *New York Times* and the *New York Daily News*. Joyce Snyder, the National Task Force Coordinator for Media Reform of the National Organization of Women (NOW) will introduce the discussion and Midge Kovacs former Coordinator of the Image of Women of NOW's New York chapter will present the slide presentation on sexism. Both women will answer questions. The forum will cover a wide range of news coverage of women. It will include:

- Alleged placement of important stories concerning women to the back pages of the papers.

- The charge that headline writers refuse to "take women seriously" by writing heads as "A Lawyer in Miniskirts", "Pistol Packing Mamas" in a story dealing with Golda Meir and Indira Ghandi and "Hard Hats Cover Some Soft Curves", a piece on women workers in the construction industry."

There will be a cash bar. Non-members invited.

CALENDAR

Tuesday, July 23, 5:30 p.m. — Talking Shop With... "Sexism in the News Media," a slide-film presentation on discrimination against women in the treatment of news. (See page 1)

Tuesday, July 23, 12 Noon — Deadline for the OPC Bulletin of August 1.

Friday, July 26, 5:30 p.m. — "Friends of Jim Wessel" party at the OPC bar lounge. Cash bar and no reservations necessary. (See page 1).



CAPACITY CROWD HEARS McLAUGHLIN — Rev. Dr. John McLaughlin packed 'em in at the June 27 OPC luncheon. He defended President Nixon's actions. Sitting at his left is OPC President Jack Raymond. In background is famous portrait of the late Edward R. Murrow.

(Photo by Ralph Salazar)

McLAUGHLIN SAYS NIXON'S ABILITY TO GOVERN LARGELY UNIMPAIRED

By HELEN ALPERT

Displacing the disillusioned Billy Graham as White House evangelist, the Rev. Dr. John McLaughlin, making his first public appearance in New York June 27, at the Overseas Press Club at Larry Stessin's first "Shop Talk" luncheon, trumpeted his defense of President Nixon to a sell-out audience of professional skeptics.

Wearing many hats, a press card on each, the White House's resident Jesuit was editor of *America*, won the Catholic Press Association's award, has his Ph. D. in philosophy and English from Columbia, produced an ABC color documentary on war refugees, ran unsuccessfully for the Senate in 1970 against Senator John O. Pastore in his native Rhode Island, and now makes a career of impressing his silver looks and oratory on nationwide TV as Deputy Special Assistant to the President.

Despite the periodic retreats ordained by his Jesuit superiors to meditate and brood on his paid role as White House Defender of the Faith — "my provincial superior is raising his eyebrows at my lifestyle," he taps history, religion, even a handy Talmudic proverb to justify the valiant. "If you are present and defamation of char-

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FRIENDS SET STAGE

FOR WESSEL WASSAIL

It has been about a year since Jim Wessel of the A.P. left the fold. During this time a number of members have tried in vain to get Jim back into the Club. We now believe the arm-twisting may finally pay off. Jim has agreed to join us in an attempt to banish the summer doldrums at a "friends of Jim Wessel" party at 5:30 p.m. Friday, July 26th. If not actually at the bar, it will be adjacent or even contiguous.

At this point in time, details are vague but an open invitation will be extended to all of Jim's friends at the A.P. This is strictly a cash bar — except for Jim and his wife, Bert. If holidays or other silly reasons prevent your attendance at the Wessel Wassail, be sure to sign the "Welcome Home" card that will be left at the bar. (where else?)

Matt Bassity, Bob Sheridan

Have you looked over the OPC menus on page 3? Now cut that out! — the menus, of course, for future reference.

PADRE DEFENDS NIXON'S ACTIONS

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acter is taking place, if you do nothing about it you have become one of the defamers." "The dynamics of priesthood and politics are the same — in a word, healers."

"A sense of history offers great comfort in times like these," he opened. "We have always abused our presidents. Washington with his angular personality was dubbed 'an American Caesar.' Jefferson was called a coward and drunkard. 'A splendid misery,' he described the office. Lincoln was 'a fourth-rate lawyer, baboon, monster.' Grover Cleveland was accused of fathering an illegitimate child. The popular song was, 'Ma, ma, where's my pa? Gone to the White House, ha, ha, ha.' Fulbright and Kaltenborn called for Truman's resignation. Truman was 'devoid of personal integrity' — this for one of our six great presidents."

"My proposition is that President Nixon is part of this distinguished lineage of American presidents, with vituperation and obloquy he does not deserve. Nine of 10 of his vetoes were sustained by a hostile Congress. Unemployment today is 4.5%, the lowest in years. Inflation, the worst problem in the world today, is 24% in Japan. Compare that with ours. On the root level, on President Nixon's say-so, the American people modified their demands and we no longer have an energy crisis. The American people do not practice discipline in this way without confidence in their President... Nixon's power to govern is largely unimpaired."

On Kissinger: "President Nixon tells Kissinger every day what his strategies are."

On the media: "Its excessive zeal is much on my mind. On network television John Chancellor was almost paranoid, referring to the Archibald Cox firing as 'the worst crisis in this country's history.' In the ink media, *Newsweek* and *Time* have lost much of their credibility. Harry Reasoner said 'they embarrass and discredit us all.' Source stories or leaks reveal a lack of a judicious sense of responsibility in their indiscriminate use. The executive hand of government would have no security at all with these stories ripped from context. Most newspapers guard their secrecy with almost fanatic zeal, yet we in the White House are expected to bear the sneaky leak, the backroom smear."

The press is being used by those who want their leaks published."

On those transcripts: "The canard that Nixon is immoral or amoral is indicative of flatulent hypocrisy by political and clucking ecclesiastics. We see his ability to find what really happened — the truth; his compassion in trying to shield friends; his prudential judgment. I submit these are moral virtues. What is morality? St. Paul says it's charity. Nixon has great moral dimension."

On charity spelled cash: "I personally examined the president's accounts. He donated 6% of his income to charity. This is a balanced generosity."

On income taxes spelled cheating "There's nothing sinister in arranging to pay the lowest possible tax. The tax is a forced exaction, not a voluntary contribution. The IRS rulings were excessive; most of them are arguable. The post-dating of his gift of papers is not yet established in a court of law."

Will Nixon resign? "His health is good. He is fixed in his resolution not to resign. The trauma of a resignation would seriously polarize the country. If he resigns without any impeachable offense, it means his successor is also subject to pressures, with possible enfeeblement of the presidency. The call for resignation is now overtaken by events and Nixon's diplomatic wizardry in penetrating the Soviet Union and China, his polylateral structures for interrelationships — Burma, Cyprus, the Mid-East, they're all now talking to each other."

OPC President *Jack Raymond* extended greetings. On the dais with him and "Shop Talk" chairman *Larry Stessin* were *Will Oursler*, former OPC president, and *Matt Bassity*, a vice president.

Earlier, the 11:30 A.M. special press conference brought the AP; Eleanor Blau, N.Y. Times' Religion Desk; John Scott, WOR radio; Tony Mancini, N.Y. Post; Bob Hayes, Long Island Catholic WRVR-FM; Lucille Storer, Catholic News; Dr. Joseph Heartberg and Ms. Evelyn Yorke, N.J. Baptist Bulletin; Ms. Murtha Philly, Editor & Publisher; ABC radio news; Newsday; Charles Nic, WPIX radio; Michael Cleveland, Pas-saic, N.J. Herald-News; CBS-TV.

Without a returned questionnaire only names and addresses will be published in the new OPC directory — no bios.

EAT, QUAFF MERRILY
WITH US AT OPC!

SO PLEASE SEE PAGE 3

The House Operations Committee's campaign to get the Hotel Biltmore management to serve a medium-price dinner instead of an expensive a la carte menu has borne fruit—at least temporarily. A complete dinner is now available at reasonable prices until September 1. A different medium price special is also available for luncheon every day. All menus appear on page 3. The Biltmore management promises to review the menu situation in the fall.

Before the OPC can obtain a financial percentage on the bar and food served, we must establish a year's total of receipts as the basis for negotiation with the Hotel Biltmore. If you must eat and drink, do both at the OPC. Help the OPC benefit by your business!

The Biltmore's location is very convenient when you are in the New York metropolitan area. The Grand Central Terminal subway station and the Penn Central-New Haven railroads are just across the street. The 42nd Street subway shuttle to Times Square and from there to Penn Station is 100 yards away. Madison and Fifth Avenue busses are almost as handy.

DATELINE PRODUCES

RECORD TEN GRAND

At the OPC's Board of Governors' June 24 meeting, unanimously voted were these two accessions to the Board, following the death of *John McAllister*: *Art Milton*, close election runner-up, now a Vice President; and *Larry Stessin*, automatically stepping up from Alternate.

President *Jack Raymond* announced that *Art Milton's* 1974 *Dateline* produced \$10,243.61 for the club, highest level ever reached.

The Board approved plans for the City Club of New York to rent desk space in the OPC office and hold regular Friday luncheons in part of the OPC dining room on a separate bar and chit arrangement.

LACK OF SPACE BLUES

Due to a lack of space, we regret the omission of "Who What Where" the review of "Twilight Jazz With Dick Hyman," regional reports from Paris and Hong Kong, the newly organized Far West region of the OPC for Southern California and the Middle East Conference. These items are scheduled for August 1.

OPC LUNCHEON MENU

12 Noon to 2 P.M.

APPETIZERS and SOUPS

Blue Point or Cape Cod Oysters	2.15	Caprice of Fruits on Ice	1.05
Little Neck or Cherrystone Clams	1.65	Jumbo Shrimp Cocktail	2.85
Seasonal Melon with Lime Wedge	1.15	Half Grapefruit	.75
Chilled Tomato, Vegetable or Fruit Juices .50			
Cream of Potato Soup Cressoniere	.80	Consomme Brunoise	.80
Jellied Tomato Madrilene	.80	Vichyssoise Glaces	.80

NEWSMAN'S SPECIALS

Stuffed Cabbage with Noodles Polonaise	4.50
Capon Leg Madison Mixed Grill, Sweet Potato	4.15
Grilled Fresh Mackerel with Stewed Tomatoes	4.80
Fluffy Cheese Omelette with Garden Peas	3.65

SPECIAL SANDWICH LUNCHEON 3.25

(Choice of One)

Smoked Nova Scotia Salmon with Cream Cheese • Club Sandwich • Grilled Ham and Cheese • Imported Sardines on Pumpernickel • Liverwurst with Tomato • Bacon, Lettuce and Tomato. • Coffee, Tea, Milk

LIGHT LUNCHEON SPECIAL 2.75

Grilled Hamburger Patty with Lettuce, Cottage Cheese and Sliced Tomatoes

PRIME MEATS

Broiled Prime Minute Steak,		Grilled Chopped Prime Sirloin Steak	4.40
French Fried Potatoes	8.40	Double Split Lamb Chop a la	
Sirloin Steak Prince Regent	9.65	Francaise	7.40
Filet Mignon Escoffier	9.65	Pork Chops Rotisseur	7.15

FISH OF THE SEA

English Dover Sole	6.65	Deep Sea Boston Scrod	4.65
Filet of Flounder Montauk	5.00		

COLD BUFFET

Rosette of Tomato filled		Turkey and Danish Ham Platter	
with Tunafish	4.65	Copenhagen	4.65
Biltmore Chef's Salad Bowl	4.15	Fresh Fruit Platter Jeannette	3.85

DESSERTS

Banana Cream Pie .80 • Old Fashioned Pound Cake .80 • Assorted Ice Cream or Sherbet .80 • Rice Pudding .80 • Fruit Compote .80

BEVERAGES

Coffee .60 • Tea .60 • Milk .50 • Sanka .60 • Buttermilk .60 • Skimmed Milk .60 • Rolls and Butter .50

OPC dining room photographs are on page 4.

OPC COMPLETE DINNER

5 P.M. to 8 P.M.

APPETIZERS and SOUPS

Tomato, Orange or V-8 Juice • Half Grapefruit • Herring in Sour Cream • Chopped Chicken Livers • Fresh Fruit Cocktail • Shrimp Cocktail (1.75 extra) • Soup du Jour • French Onion Soup • Consomme with Rice.

ENTREES

Minute Sirloin Steak, Maitre d'Hotel	8.50	Two Broiled Pork Chops with	
Golden Brown Deep Fried Louisiana		Apple Sauce	5.75
Shrimps, Tartar Sauce, Cole Slaw	6.85	Fresh Calf's Liver Saute w/Bacon	6.50
Broiled Filet of Sole, Lemon, Butter	6.75	Roast Sirloin of Beef au Jus,	
Breast of Capon au Vin Rouge	5.95	Carved to your taste	6.25

(Served with French Fried or Whipped Potatoes, Vegetable du Jour and Tossed Green Salad with French Dressing)

DESSERTS

Cake du Jour • Pie du Jour • Cheese Cake • Apple Pie • Rice Pudding • Fruit Jello • Assorted Ice Cream or Sherbet.

BEVERAGES

Special Blend Coffee • Pot of Tea • Sanka • Milk • Iced Tea • Iced Coffee

OPC DAILY SPECIALS 3.75

12 NOON to 2 P.M.

Including Coffee, Tea or Milk

Monday

Spaghetti Shells with Meatballs, Parmesan Cheese
Mixed Salad Greens, French Dressing

Tuesday

Corned Beef Hash w/Poached Egg
Brown Gravy - Stringbeans au Beurre

Alternate Wednesdays

Canneloni a la Romano, Italian Salad

Individual Cold Plate of Boneless and Skinless Sardines and Imported Salami Garni

Thursday

Boiled Knockwurst with Sauerkraut, Boiled Potato

Friday

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BEVERAGE DRINK LIST

Bar open from 12 Noon to 10 P.M.

Cocktails	1.40
Imported Cocktails	1.60
Highballs (popular labels)	1.40
Cordials	1.75
Soft Drinks	.60
Domestic Beer (bottle)	1.00
Imported Beer (bottle)	1.25
Sherry	1.40
Champagne (split)	2.00

Complete Drink List Available on Request

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PLEASANT SURROUNDINGS — Here are two scenes of the OPC dining room, resplendent with turquoise wall-to-wall carpeting, golden drapes, golden linen, and food from the Biltmore kitchens. The clocks (below) show the local time in the following 7 major cities of the world, from left to right: Sydney, Tokyo, Peking, New York, Rio De Janeiro, London and Moscow.
(Photos by Barrett Gallagher)

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